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SUBJECT: LEAHY VETTING FOR APCSS COMPREHENSIVE CRISIS
MANAGEMENT COURSE, MAY-JUNE 2008

¶1. This is an action request. See para three.

¶2. The following candidates have been selected for participation in the Asia Pacific Center Security Studies (APCSS) Comprehensive Crisis Management Course to be held in Honolulu, Hawaii from May 29 to June 27, 2008. Post vetting was completed on March 24, 2008. Post requests that vetting be completed by April 2, 2008, to provide sufficient time for processing. Post requests the department conduct Leahy vetting for the following candidates:

Name: ABM Azizul Islam
Rank: Lt. Colonel
Unit: Commanding Officer, 29th Rifle Battalion
Unit Location: Joypurhat
Personal Number: BA-2462
Date of Birth: September 20, 1958
Place of Birth: Bagerhat, Bangladesh

Name: Shokat Akhtar
Rank: Lt. Colonel
Unit: Commanding Officer, 43rd Rifle Battalion
Unit Location: Chittagong
Personal Number: BA-2112
Date of Birth: January 1, 1960
Place of Birth: Barisal, Bangladesh

¶3. Post requests that the Department of State authorize post to make the following statement to the relevant DOD units:
"Embassy verifies that the Department of State possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the above named individual or unit."

¶4. Post Human Rights Officer is Luke Zahner, unclass
e-mail:zahnerlv@state.gov.

¶5. COMMENT: Embassy has no information to indicate this individual or any unit he has served in has been involved in gross violations of human rights.
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